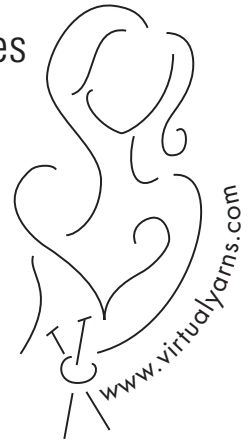


Purse Flowers & Barnacles

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Materials

Scraps of Hebridean 2 Ply for Flowers.
Scraps of Hebridean 2 & 3 Ply for
Barnacles.
3mm needles for flowers. 4mm needles for
barnacles. Tapestry needle.

Abbreviations

k - knit. **p** - purl. **pss0** - pass slipped st over. **RS** - right side. **sl** - slip.
st(s) - stitch(es). **tog** - together. **WS** - wrong side.

Flowers

Small Size

With 3mm needles cast on 9 sts.

Rows 1 & 3 (RS): Knit.

Row 2 & All WS Rows: Purl.

Row 5 (RS): (K2tog; k1) 3 times. 6 Sts.

Row 7 (RS): (K2tog) 3 times. 3 Sts.

Row 9 (RS): S11-k2tog-pss0 and fasten off.

Large Size

With 3mm needles cast on 18 sts.

Rows 1 & 3 (RS): Knit.

Row 2 & All WS Rows: Purl.

Row 5 (RS): (K2tog; k1) 6 times. 12 Sts.

Row 7 (RS): Knit.

Row 9 (RS): (K2tog) 6 times. 6 Sts.

Row 11 (RS): (K2tog) 3 times. 3 Sts.

Row 13 (RS): S11-k2tog-pss0 and fasten off.

Make the twirly shape by felting the piece and twisting it around as you felt so that it forms a curl. For a regular shape, sew up the side seam so that it forms a little trumpet and then felt. You can sew a little felted bead into the centre to add further interest.

Vary colours by using a contrast for the first 2 or 3 rows. Vary the size by casting on more or less stitches and decreasing and working more or less rows accordingly.

Barnacles

With 4mm needles and 3 Ply cast on 9 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit.

Rows 2 & 4 (WS): Purl.

Row 3 (RS): (K2tog; k1) 3 times. 6 Sts.

Row 5 (RS): (K2tog) 3 times. 3 Sts.

Turn; sl1-p2tog-pss0 and fasten off.

Sew up the side seam to form a cone and then felt firmly.

Once dry, embroider the outside of the cone with a shell using 2 Ply.

Centre the shell outline at the top of the cone and stitch the spokes to the cast-on edge. Add contrast colours by working a couple of rounds of embroidery around the spokes in one colour then another.

Vary the size by casting on more or less stitches and rows and decreasing accordingly.